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## **REMARKS**

## I. Status of Claim for Priority

Applicants have amended the specification to appropriately reference their claim for priority in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.78(a)(5). Because the claim for priority to Provisional Application No. 60/038,879, filed February 20, 1997 was included in the original declaration (copy enclosed herewith), and the Patent Office correctly recognized this claim, as shown by its inclusion on the filing receipt, a petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.78(a) and the surcharge under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(t) is not required.

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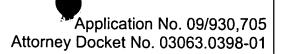
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## Attachment Showing Amendments to Specification Made in the Supplemental Response filed on June 13, 2003

On page 1, replace the first paragraph that was entered on the new application transmittal sheet (Paragraph 7), filed June 29, 2001, with the following new paragraph: --This application claims the benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of Provisional Application No. 60/038,879, filed February 20, 1997, and is a continuation of Application No. 08/956,022, filed October 22, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,291,078, which is incorporated herein by reference.--

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